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From our Director....

It's great to have our FNF back! Welcome back Suzette, and thanks to Janine stepping up and keeping folks informed.

More exciting news; we are pleased to announce the launch our "GWIN Strengthening Families" grants! Initial applications accompany this edition of FNF. We look forward to receiving your proposals and supporting the good works you're doing. Let me know your thoughts at: www.goodworksindiana.blogspot.com. Look forward to hearing from you!

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Good Works Indiana Salutes: Kosciusko County Community Foundation Partnership with Faith-based Agencies to Address Poverty

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Local church and community members learned how to reach out to the needy in the community. Approximately 50 people attended a poverty seminar at McClain Hall on the Grace College Campus in Winona Lake.

The seminar was an effort of the faith-based subcommittee of the Kosciusko County Community Foundation's Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects initiative to help local faith communities find ways to fight poverty in their communities.

Seminar facilitators focused on helping those in attendance learn how to meet the needs of those who are in poverty. Participants took part in role-playing scenarios in which attendees were given a problem associated with poverty and asked to think of a solution. People broke up into groups and were asked what they would do if they were

a female with two daughters and their husband lost work. Those who attended the seminar also had an opportunity to receive information from booths set up representing service organizations in the community.

Bruce Wrightsman, assistant pastor at South Whitley United Methodist Church, discussed specific actions churches can take to help those in their communities who are facing poverty. "People with the greatest faith are often the poor because they don't rely on a pocket book or an IRA," said Wrightsman. "Those who have full-time jobs and work 40 hours a week sometimes still do not have the funds to pay their bills." Poverty is defined as the extent to which an individual does without resources.

Also covered were resources needed for those in poverty, including financial resources and sustaining the ability to purchase goods and services. "In poverty, money is used and spent as soon as you get it," continued Wrightsman. Another resource for those in poverty are emotional resources enabling one to choose and control emotional responses without engaging in self-destructive behavior. Covered also were important mental resources, where people of poverty need the mental abilities to acquire skills such as; reading, writing and computing, to deal with daily life.

Other needed resources included spiritual and physical relationships, and role models. At the end of the seminar, people had the opportunity to fill out a volunteer sheet to assist those who are in poverty.



"The American city should be a collection of communities where every member has a right to belong. It should be a place where every man feels safe on his streets and in the house of his friends. It should be a place where each individual's dignity and self-respect is strengthened by the respect and affection of his neighbors. It should be a place where each of us can find the satisfaction and warmth which comes from being a member of the community of man. This is what man sought at the dawn of civilization. It is what we seek today."

Lyndon B. Johnson

MENTOR MINUTE

One Page, One Minute on Mentoring

Economic Stimulus Package Includes Funding for Mentoring

March 5, 2009: When President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 into law February 17, it included \$225 million in competitive grant funding through the U.S. Department of Justice for mentoring and other activities.

In the language of the final package, the measure provided \$225 million for competitive, peer-reviewed grants to units of state, local and tribal government, as well as to national, regional and local non-profit organizations to "prevent crime, improve the administration of justice, provide services to victims of crime, support critical nurturing and mentoring of at-risk children and youth, and for other similar activities."

"The fact that Congress has continued to highlight mentoring as a solution acknowledges what we already know that mentoring *works*," said Marian Heard, vice chair of MENTOR/National Mentoring Partnership. "Young people whose families have been and will continue to be hard hit by the economic crisis will need the help and guidance of a caring mentor more than ever. We are pleased that this funding will be available to ensure that more of our young people can be touched by the power of mentoring at this crucial time in their lives."

MENTOR will post additional information on this funding opportunity as we hear the details. For more information as it becomes available, please go to <http://www.mentoring.org/>.

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To protect the privacy of all of our recipients we ask that you contact OFBCI at (317) 233-4273 for additional information or to reply to this publication.

IMAGINE:

Indy's Matching Awards for Great Indy Neighborhoods Engagement

Got an idea about how to make your neighborhood come together and grow? The folks at the Great Indy Neighborhoods Initiative (GINI) have money to award, and they're ready to invest it in your idea to enhance your neighborhood.

Eligible not-for-profit neighborhood organizations can apply for between \$500 to \$5,000 in IMAGINE support. IMAGINE grant recipients must offer a dollar-for-dollar match, but may count volunteer labor, donated materials, supplies, services or cash as part of that match.

All interested IMAGINE applicants are required to attend a Technical Assistance (TA) session before submitting an IMAGINE application. During the TA sessions, interested applicants will have an opportunity to learn more about the IMAGINE application process, connect with other applicants to brainstorm ideas, and hear from past IMAGINE recipients about their successes. All TA sessions will be held from **6-8pm** at INRC's offices at 1802 N. Illinois Street on the following Mondays:

**April 20, May 11,
July 20, August 17, October 19, November 16**

The next IMAGINE deadline is 5pm on Wednesday, May 27. Those interested in applying may obtain forms by visiting www.inrc.org or www.greatindyneighborhoods.org, emailing imaginehelp@inrc.org or calling (317) 920-0330.

Ready for the heat?

Craine House staff invites you to join us for unlimited stir fry, great guest grillers, and a silent auction at

bd's mongolian bbq

3838 E. 82nd Street

March 25th from 6pm-8pm

Guest appearance by Mayor Greg Ballard and

Guest Grillers will include the Honorable Robert Altice

We will also have Lisa Jackson from Silpada Designs, which is a line of high quality sterling silver jewelry, and she will be donating a percentage of all purchases to Craine House!

Silent Auction has an large mix of items ranging from an autographed photo of Peyton Manning and Colts pre-season tickets to a day of sailing Lake Michigan!

Tickets will be available at the door for \$25 or discounts available for pre sale tickets at 925-2833

Edy's Slow Churned Neighborhood Salute Ice Cream Block Party Contest

Whether celebrating with a friend over a scoop of Strawberry, or serving up a hot fudge sundae to make someone's day a bit brighter, ice cream has a unique ability to bring people together. Edy's is delighted to host its 5th annual Slow Churned Neighborhood Salute ice cream block party contest.



Neighbors nationwide are invited to enter to win one of 1,500 free ice cream socials by submitting an essay, 350 words or less, explaining why their neighborhood deserves a Slow Churned Neighborhood salute. Winning neighborhoods will scoop up 10+ cartons of Edy's Slow Churned Ice Cream in a variety of flavors and a "Party in a Box" filled with enough supplies (bowls, scoops, spoons, napkins, tablecloth, etc.) to host a summer gathering for up to 100 neighbors, family and friends.

Visit www.slowchurned.com beginning March 3, 2009 through May 29, 2009 to nominate your neighborhood. Contest rules are available at the website or by calling (888) 590-3397.

Free Tax Preparation



The Indianapolis Asset Building Coalition announces the launch of SAVE -EARN-LEARN, Indianapolis' Campaign for Financial Fitness, an initiative that provides free tax preparation and financial education to low-income Marion County residents.

The services will be offered at community centers throughout Indianapolis from Jan. 24 through April 15. Eligible residents are those without dependents that earned \$20,000 or less in 2008, or those with dependents that earned \$45,000 or less. Please note that this program is targeted for preparation of personal tax returns; therefore individuals with more than \$5,000 of reportable business expenses for 2008 are not eligible.

Click [here](#) for more information on eligibility requirements.

Click [here](#) for a list of tax-site locations and hours, or call 2-1-1 to find a tax site near you.

You're Invited



OPEN HOUSE
Celebrating the Relocation and Grand Opening

SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH

FROM 1:00PM UNTIL 3:00PM

**107 PARK PLACE BLVD.
AVON, INDIANA**

*All this also comes from the Lord Almighty, whose plan is wonderful,
whose wisdom is magnificent. Isaiah 28:29*

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Summer Food Programs for Kids

The Indiana Department of Education is accepting applications for the Summer Food Service Program, which reimburses local sponsors that serve healthy meals and snacks to low-income children during the summer months.

Eligible applicants include schools, youth-serving nonprofits, faith-based organizations, summer camps, community centers and units of local government, including park programs.

[Learn more from an online video.](#)

Deadline: April 27, 2009.

[Click here for the application.](#) More info: 800-537-1142.



Camp AYS ***Now taking registrations!***

Camp AYS, a division of AYS, Inc., is currently accepting registration for its summer day camps. Camp AYS will operate seven sites for children in kindergarten through grade six and three sites serving three to five year olds. Camps sites are located in North West Hendricks County, Decatur Township, Washington Township, Center Township and Noblesville.

Campers will have the opportunity to go on field trips, participate in small group activities and go swimming weekly. Arts & crafts, sports, science and nature activities will help children enjoy their summer in a safe, positive environment.

Through a variety of fun and educational activities, Camp AYS aims to help children enjoy new experiences, grow as individuals and build new friendships. Counselors are trained in child development, conflict resolution, teambuilding and safety, which includes CPR and first aid certification. Counselor-camper ratios allow for a variety of small group activities.

Most camps will run from June 1 to July 31, Monday through Friday. For more information and to register, call 317-283-3817 or visit www.ayskids.org/camp. Families registering by May 8, 2009 will receive a discounted registration rate.

AYS, Inc., a not-for-profit child services agency, operates before- and afterschool, early childhood, kindergarten, and summer programs in Central Indiana. During the school year, over 2,000 children are enrolled in programs in Marion, Hamilton, Hendricks, Montgomery and Johnson counties. In addition to providing a safe place for children in the out-of-school hours, AYS complements classroom learning with homework help, learning stations, arts enrichment and a wellness initiative. To learn more about AYS, visit www.ayskids.org.



May 10-16, 2009

The Office of Women's Health Invites Your Community to Join in Celebrating National Women's Health Week!

The 10th annual National Women's Health Week will kick off on Mother's Day, May 10th, and will be celebrated until May 16th. Create an event in your community and you will empower women in Indiana to make their health a top priority. May 10th will also mark the beginning of the eight-week WOMAN Challenge, an online program that encourages women and girls to set and achieve personal physical activity goals.

The Office of Women's Health at the Indiana State Department of Health encourages local communities to host events in support of this national observance. OWH will promote National Women's Health Week and the WOMAN Challenge as well as help publicize local events through statewide media.

Community Partners can support National Women's Health Week by:

- Hosting local events focused on women's health
- Encouraging women to take the National Women's Checkup Day Pledge
- Inviting women in their communities to sign up for the WOMAN Challenge

Register your event on the National Women's Health Web site at www.womenshealth.gov/WHW/my-account/sign-in.cfm. By registering your event, the Office of Women's Health will be able to help promote your event and you will receive access to promotional materials, tips for event planning and FREE health education materials.

For more information, contact Mary Boutain (MBoutain@isdh.in.gov) or Tanya Parrish (TParrish@isdh.in.gov) or log on www.womenshealth.gov/WHW.



Office of Women's Health
Indiana State Department of Health



WOMAN Challenge

Women and girls **Out Moving Across the Nation**



A Capacity Building Conference Sponsored
by the Nonprofit Solutions Initiative, SAVI,
and the United Way of Central Indiana.

April 22 - 23 at the University Place Conference Center and Hotel

2009 Capacity Building Conference

"Managing Change, Maximizing Impact"
Presented by SAVI, the Nonprofit Solutions
Initiative and the United Way of Central Indiana's
Nonprofit Training Center

WHO: The conference is tailored to executives, program staff, board members, and consultants in the nonprofit industry, neighborhood and civic leaders, planners, evaluators, and grant writers. Workshops and special presentations will be delivered by organizations who support nonprofits, organizations that will share their success stories, and by leading professionals in the field. Keynote speakers include Kris Taylor, Dr. Frank J. Omowale Satterwhite, and Philip L. Lee.

WHAT: The two-day conference will present solutions, tools and resources for nonprofit and community-based organizations to boost revenue, remain relevant, adapt to the demanding economic and societal climate changes and stay financially afloat. Organizations also will learn how they can maximize their resources to have the greatest impact on their community. During both days, attendees will participate in workshops and break out sessions, listen to keynote speakers, network and collaborate with other conference participants, and learn from exhibitors who have products and services to offer to the organizations in attendance.

WHEN: April 22 and 23. Day one runs from 7am - 5pm. Day two runs from 8am - 3:30pm. Networking time is incorporated throughout both days.

WHERE: University Place Hotel and Conference Center on the campus of IUPUI

WHY: In today's troubled economic climate, nonprofits and community organizations are being forced to evaluate their priorities, re-tool, and change their way of thinking and doing business. The conference will present participants with a wide array of resources, tools and strategies for

ensuring the health of their organization and community for years to come.

Early-bird Registration, available through March 15, is \$100 per person. Regular registration is (March 16 - April 1) \$125 per person. Late registration (after April 1) and day-of registration will be available for \$150. The cost includes the two-day registration fee, parking, lunch, snacks, and beverages for both days. Scholarships are available to individuals and non-profit organizations. The scholarship deadline is April 1.

To register for the conference, apply for a scholarship, apply to become an exhibitor, or learn how to become a sponsor at the 2009 Capacity Building Conference, visit www.savi.org/conference or call 317.278.2944 or 317.278.7636.

For more information on the 2009 Capacity Building Conference partners, please visit www.nonprofitsolutions.iupui.edu, www.savi.org, and www.uwci.org.

PRESENTING ORGANIZATIONS

National Community Development
Institute (Oakland, CA)
Results Leadership Group (Bethesda, MD)
K. Taylor & Associates
Center on Philanthropy at IU
Leadership International
Hawes HR Consulting
Russell Martin & Associates
eTapestry
Aspen Impact
Pedrotti Hays, Inc.
Achieve, LLC
Charitable Advisors, LLC
Leadership Ventures
Wishard Foundation
Indiana State University
Association of Fundraising Professionals
Jessica White Associates
Spirit & Place Festival
SAVI (The Polis Center at IUPUI)

REGISTER
NOW!



SAVI
Information for Communities

The **SAVI** Community Information System (www.savi.org) is a one-stop source for data and information for Central Indiana communities and organizations. It provides local data about the social, economic, and physical conditions of neighborhoods, townships, and counties, and other

geographic areas such as school districts. SAVI summarizes these data into community profiles and allows users to view and analyze detailed data in interactive maps, charts, and tables.

Grant Opportunities

The William and Charlotte Parks Foundation -- Project Grants, General Operating Funds, Capital Grants

Application Deadline: Proposals must be received by May 1 to be reviewed in that calendar year. Review of applications is made once a year.

Description: The foundation was established to improve the status of animals worldwide. Awards may be made for specific projects that benefit animals, for construction of shelters, or for general operating costs.

Funding Amount:

Project Grants: Not usually more than \$10,000 per annum

General Operating Funds: Not usually more than \$5,000 per annum

Capital Grants: Generally up to \$5,000 on a one-for-three matching basis

Who May Apply: Grants and awards will only be made to organizations with 501(c)(3) tax status.

For more information, go to:

<http://www.parksfoundation.org/index.html>

Tommy Hilfiger Corporate Foundation, Inc.

Application Deadlines: All proposals must be received by April 1 to be eligible for funding July 15, and by October 1 to be eligible for funding January 15.

Description: The foundation believes that education is the cornerstone for today's youth, and that for America to remain competitive in the global marketplace, a stronger emphasis needs to be placed on exposing youth to experiences in education and career-related opportunities. By focusing on preparing students for the demands of today's global society, the foundation's goal is to be a major force in improving education. The foundation believes that the physical well-being of today's youth is at the heart of building a healthy and civil society. Therefore, the foundation is committed to investing in health-related organizations and cultural programs that impact a diverse population of youth.

Funding Amount: Proposal funding limits: \$10,000-\$25,000

Who May Apply: 501(c)(3) organizations

For more information, go to:

<http://www.tommy.com/opencms/opencms/corporate/foundation/grantdeadlines.html>

Grant Opportunities

Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation

Application Deadline: Proposals are due April 30 each year, and grants are made in September.

Description: The foundation provides funding for community and economic development, health and human services, education, and literacy.

Who May Apply: Organizations must be classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The foundation focuses its resources in the southeastern United States.

Funding Amount: Grants range from \$10,000 to \$50,000; the average grant size is \$30,000. For more information, go to: <http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/grant/>

The Allstate Foundation

Application Deadline: The foundation has no deadlines for submission. Proposals may be submitted throughout the calendar year.

Description: The Allstate Foundation supports national and local programs that fit within three focus areas. Proposals must address needs within one of the three focus areas to be considered for funding:

- Safe and vital communities
- Tolerance, inclusion, and diversity
- Economic empowerment

Who May Apply: The foundation makes grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

For more information, go to:

<http://www.allstate.com/Community/PageRender.asp?Page=foundation.html>